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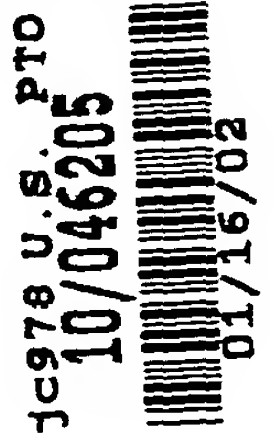
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January 16, 2002

BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Masaya HIRAMITSU  
RUBBER COMPOSITION AND PNEUMATIC TIRE  
Assignee: **BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION**  
Our Ref. Q68085



Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 12 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>16</u> - 20	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>1</u> - 3	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$84.00	=	<u>          </u>	\$0.00
Base Fee								<u>\$740.00</u>
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee								<u>\$280.00</u>
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>								<b>\$1020.00</b>
Recordation of Assignment								\$40.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>								<b><u>\$1060.00</u></b>

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$1,020.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.



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Priority is claimed from:

Country

Application No

Filing Date

Japan

2001-9031

January 17, 2001

The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,  
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